Consignment Tax

@4067A. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV:
SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA JAYAWANTRAO PATIL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Maharashtra Government has urged the Central Government to take early steps for the introduction of a Bill in Parliament to enable it to levy consignment tax; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): (a) and (b) The Chief Minister of Maharashtra wrote in Februray, 1987 suggesting early legislation for levy of tax on inter-state consignment of goods. As some of the issues involved are yet to be sorted out, it has not been possible to take a final decision.

Payment of Overtime Allowance to Daily Wage Workers

@@4067-B. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have issued for the payment of overtime allowance at double the rate of wages under the Factories Act to the employees working on daily wages;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and when were the orders issued;

(c) whether it is a fact that in spite of the issuance of such orders the daily wage workers employed in different Ministries and Offices are being paid overtime allowance equal to their wages only;

(d) if so, what are the reasons for violation of such orders; and

(e) what action is proposed against those officers who have not implemented the aforesaid orders in respect of daily wage workers working under them in the offices?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHR BIREN SINGH ENGTI): (a) to (e) Factories Act provides that where a worker so defined under the Factories Act works in a factory for more than 9 hours in any day or for more than 48 hours in any week, he shall in respect of overtime work be entitled to wages at the rate twice the ordinary rate of wages.

The above provision is not applicable to Central Government employees and persons engaged on daily wages in different Ministries and offices who are not covered by the definition of worker under the factories Act and the question of issuing orders for payment of overtime allowance at double the rate under the Factories Act in respect of them does not arise.

12.00 Noon

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

I. Correcting the reply given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st August, 1987 to Unstarred Question 3167, regarding shortage of Urea in Barauni Plant

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Now Statement by Minister correcting answer to Question.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): Madam, I beg to lay on the Table a statement (in English and Hindi) correcting the reply given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st August, 1987, to Unstarred Question 3167, regarding 'Shortage of Urea in Barauni Plant'.

@Previously Unstarred Question 3528, transferred from the 25th August, 1987.

@@Prviously Unstarred Question 3555, transferred from the 25th August, 1987.